# California Horse Racing Board

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# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS LOS ALAMITOS QUARTER HORSE RACING ASSOCIATION

# TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of March 31, 2020 through April 5, 2020.

#### <u>Tuesday</u>

03/31/2020

#### (1) DUTY STEWARD

James Dreyer will monitor morning situations and shall author the minutes during this reporting period.

#### (2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fifth race in the book, maidens three and up for a \$4,000 claim, failed to get an entry.

#### (3) THE DRAW

Forty five entrants will comprise our three Thoroughbred and four Quarter Horse races Friday.

## **Wednesday**

04/2/2020

#### (1) SCRATCHES

Scratch time was completed at 9:00 a.m. with no changes on Friday's program.

#### (2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The first race in the book, maidens three and up for a \$16,000 tag, was called off with no entries.

#### (3) THE DRAW

Three Thoroughbred and five Quarter Horse races will make up Saturday evenings card.

# Thursday 04/4/2020

#### (1) SCRATCHES

Two rider changes completed Saturday's program adjustments.

### (2) <u>CAL-BRED</u> REPORT

The fifth race in the book, maidens three and up for an \$8,000 tag, was off with one. O-Cal-Breds.

#### (3) THE DRAW

Credit is given to the racing department for persevering until 4:00 pm to put together eight races for Sunday evening.

#### (1) SCRATCHES

Scratch time resulted in one rider change.

#### (2) **RULING #86**

#### Ruling # 85

JOCKEY CRUZ MENDEZ, WHO RODE "SASS GO BLUE" IN THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MARCH 29, 2020, IS SUSPENDED FOR TWO (2) RACING DAYS (APRIL  $10^{\text{TH}}$  AND  $11^{\text{TH}}$ , 2020) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE AFTER THE START, CAUSING INTERFERENCE WHICH RESULTED IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT FROM FIFTH TO EIGHTH POSITION. THIS CONSTITUTES A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1699 (RIDING RULES- CARELESS RIDING).

The above ruling was issued after meeting with jockey Mendez to discuss his disqualification in Sunday's eighth race, the El Primero Del Ano Derby. Cruz agreed with us that he could have reacted quicker than he did and he accepted his two day suspension with grace.

#### (3) CLAIM VOIDED

The third race claim of Minimal Mistake by trainer Yanet Rodriguez was voided after he was placed on the vet's list as unsound by Dr. Beck. He was returned to trainer Charles Treece.

#### (4) LATE DECLARATIONS

1st Race #2 Shared (A. Aquino) –Sick- Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$641.00

4<sup>th</sup> Race #6 Copper Cowgirl (P. Harrington) –Injured- Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$399.80

6th Race #6 Stel Best Chance (V. Zamudio) –Tied Up- Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$1,005.15

#### (5) DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	0	\$0.00
Off track	0	\$0.00
Out of state	N/A	\$1,407,580.60
Total	0	\$1,407,580.60

#### Saturday 04/4/2020

#### (1) **RULINGS #86**

#### Ruling #86

PURSUANT TO THE ADOPTION OF A PROPOSED DECISION BY THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD, TRAINER KELLY CASTANEDA IS SUSPENDED ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY DAYS (120) (APRIL  $6^{\text{TH}}$ , 2020 THROUGH AUGUST  $3^{\text{RD}}$ , 2020) AND FINED TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$2,500.00)\* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (TRAINER OR OWNER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1843 (a & d) (MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES), #1843.1 (b) (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES) AND 1844 (d)(4) (AUTHORIZED MEDICATION-LIDOCAINE).

Having received confirmation from the California Horse Racing Board that the Proposed Decision submitted by this Board of Stewards had been accepted the foregoing ruling was issued.

#### (2) INQUIRY- DOUBLE DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards posted the inquiry following the fourth race to review two incidents. The first incident occurred as the field entered the turn. #1 Johann's Command (4<sup>th</sup>- J. Dominguez) bolted eliminating both #2 Uncle Goyle (7<sup>th</sup>- V. Bednar) and #6 The Love (5<sup>th</sup>- C. Aragon). The second incident involved #8 Biddy Duke (1<sup>st</sup>- A. Gryder), #5 Perfect Promise (#3<sup>rd</sup>- F. Orduna) and #7 Outlaw (6<sup>th</sup>- E. Payeras). Biddy Duke drifts out in mid turn forcing Perfect Promise into the path of Outlaw causing him to clip Perfect Promise's heels. After speaking with the riders involved and examining both incidents the vote was unanimous to disqualify both horses.

Original Order (8)- 4-5-(1)-6-7-2

Official Order 4-5-6-7-(8)-2-(1)

#### (3) INQUIRY- DISQUALIFICATION

The inquiry was posted following the seventh race to review the start. #4 Perry The Legacy (2<sup>nd</sup>- M. Jasso) broke in causing #3 La Cheeky Baby (5<sup>th</sup>- O. Andrade Jr.) to take up. Further into the race Perry The Legacy drifted in causing La Cheeky Baby to check for a second time. The vote was unanimous to disqualify Perry The Legacy.

Original Order 5-(4)-2-6-3 Official Order 5-2-6-3-(4)

#### (4) CLAIM VOIDED

The fifth race claim of Ana Lisa by trainer Charles Treece was voided after the mare bled and was placed on the vets list by Dr. Beck. She was returned to trainer Milton Pineda.

#### (5) LATE DECLARATIONS

4th Race #3 Jimmy The Juice (R. Bean) –Unsounded- Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$14,821.54

5<sup>th</sup> Race #3 Tapitha Bonita (S. Miyadi) –Sick- Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$248.00

5<sup>th</sup> Race #6 Sheza Kathy (S. Morffin) –Injured- Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$286.00

7<sup>th</sup> Race #1 I Have Become (J.Flores)–Flipped in paddock-Dr.Fitzgerald Refund \$4,535.50

#### (6) ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	0	\$0.00
Off track	0	\$0.00
Out of state	N/A	\$1,783,052.69
Total	0	\$1,783,052.69

#### Sunday 04/5/2020

#### (1) RULING #87

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JOCKEY MARK JASSO IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688(b)(6) (USE OF RIDING CROP-MORE THAN THREE TIMES IN SUCCESSION, WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND-FIRST OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE RUNNING OF THE SEVENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON APRIL 4, 2020.

The foregoing ruling was issued after jockey Jasso was found to be in violation Rule #1688(b)(6).

#### (2) ACCIDENT

Entering the turn in the fifth race #5 DF Banister Sister bolted. She failed to negotiate the turn, hit the outside rail and ended up in the drainage ditch along the outside fence. To the credit of the gate crew and several of other people the filly was extricated from her predicament and walked off. The extent of her injuries were not apparent but did not appear to be serious.

#### (3) INQUIRY- DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards posted the inquiry following the eighth race to review an incident which involved a major portion of the race. #7 Maximo II (4<sup>th</sup>- A. Cervantes) broke in and continued his wayward path for approximately 200 yards of the 350-yard race. About the only horses that were not inconvenienced were the first three finishers. The vote was unanimous to disqualify Maximo II. Original Order 2-1-3-(7)-6-4-5

Official Order 2-1-3-6-4-5-(7)

#### (4) LATE DECLARATIONS

1st Race #3 Havasu Hunni (S. Morfin) –Injured- Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$312.60 1st Race #6 Rock All Day (S. Naranjo) –Injured- Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$129.30

5<sup>th</sup> Race #4 Dairy Kid (R. Lucas) –Sick- Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$140.00

5<sup>th</sup> Race #6 Thechampisfloring(J. Metz) –Injured- Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$129.30

#### (5) ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	0	\$0.00
Off track	0	\$0.00
Out of state	N/A	\$1,735,375.19
Total	0	\$1,735,375.19

# TRACK SAFTEY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on April 05, 2020. There was one equine death to report this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period, 17 horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: 5 for soundness, 5 for injury, 4 for sickness and 3 for bleeding. Ten horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and removed from the list. This report was submitted by Steward James Dreyer.

# <u>2020</u>

#### **SUMMARY**

	Wed	Thurs	Fri 04/03	Sat 04/04	Sun 04/05	Week	Meet
Accidents	D		0	0	1	1	1
Cal-Bred Races	Α		0	0	0	0	0
Claims	R		1	0	2	3	100
Disqualification s	K		0	3	1	4	17
Inquiries		D	0	2	1	3	25
Refunds		Α	3	4	4	11	141
Rulings		Y	1	1	1	3	86
Voided Claims		S	1	1	1	3	16

Stewards' Attendance: Stewards James Dreyer, Tom Ward, Scott Chaney and Safety Steward David Nuesch were in attendance during this reporting period.

 James Dreyer, Steward
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 David Nuesch, Safety Steward